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St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

17th March 2017

Stars of the Week

is an opportunity to celebrate our **Learning Stars.**

Congratulations to:

★ Scarlett Hervin ★ Jack Slatter **☆** William Stoyle ★ Jasmine Lofthouse Sophia Philips → Holly Emerson Anna Rudling

Imogen Voisey Freya Barry Elliott Mizen **Kayla Quainoo** Kayleigh Emerson **Azize Yildirim Connor Green**

We love to celebrate our pupils' achievements out of school during Prayer and Praise.

Congratulations to **Harvey Johnson** for gaining his green belt in karate.

Please bring your certificates and awards to the office.

Attendance

Congratulations to the classes with the highest weekly attendance:

SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

3rd—9th Mar MAPLE

94.4%

10th—16th Mar WILLOW 98.8%

Win Easter Eggs!

Please support **Oak** & **Willow** Classes to raise money for CAFOD

and **CLIC Sargent** by guessing how many chocolate eggs are in the tubs!

50p a go - the correct/nearest guess wins! Please visit Oak or Willow Class.

Dates

23rd March 24th March 30th March 31st March 31st March 18th April 21st April

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Maple Scooter Safety **Ash Forest School** Elm Scooter Safety Ash Forest School **End of Spring Term** Start of Summer Term Ash Forest School Resurrection Rock! 9.15 am

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

This half term we will be launching Times Tables Rock Stars; this is a programme that will provide children with great opportunities to practise their fluency and knowledge of the times tables facts. The children can rehearse tables that teachers have identified for them and they can challenge one another to play 'beat the scores' as a class. The games are interactive and have fun, personalised characters to enthuse children. Teachers will be able to track children's progress and support them with specific facts they struggle with.

Should you have any questions please speak to the class teachers or Mrs Jodie Sharman, the Maths

Head Lice

Could we please remind everyone to regularly check your child for head lice.

World Book Day raised £83.00. Thank you for your kind donations to Book Aid International.

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fayre where children can come and buy donated items. Please can we request any donations of old books, toys, games, etc. They should be of reusable standard and dropped into Rowan Class. Cakes are also welcome— donations on the day, the date of which will be confirmed.

We thank you in advance, Rowan Class.

E Safety

Parents play a crucial role in ensuring that their children understand the need to use the internet/mobile devices in an appropriate way. The school will take appropriate steps, where possible, to help parents understand these issues. This week we are concentrating on the instant messaging app, WhatsApp, which lets you send messages, images and videos to friends.

Does WhatsApp have any age restrictions?

As part of its Terms of Service, WhatsApp's minimum age of use is 16 years old. By using WhatsApp, a user agrees to provide certain personal information such as their mobile phone number, billing and mobile device information.

Should I be concerned about WhatsApp as a parent/carer?

WhatsApp is a great way for young people to socialise with their friends. Children can only talk to existing contacts on their phone, although this may feel safer, it's still important to remember that some content shared may not be appropriate for children, or they have contacts (strangers) in their phone who they have never met face to face. Likewise, as with all social media, caution is advised over your child's digital footprint, particularly the content (photos, videos and messages) they choose to share via WhatsApp. Once shared, it can be copied, re-shared and posted anywhere online.

For more information about user controls and privacy settings visit the school website for the **Think You Know WhatsApp Parent Guide.**

The next newsletter will go home on: Friday 31st March 2017

Clubs

Monday Marvellous Maths Y3,4 (until 20/3)

Marvellous Maths Y5,6 (starts 27/3)

Mrs Sharman

Tuesday Multi Skills KS1 (until 28/3)

Tuesday Netball KS2

Mrs Atkinson

Wednesday Homework Club Y4, 5, 6

Miss Dunne/Mrs Wilson

Wednesday Circuit Training KS2 (until 29/3)

Miss Sealy

Wednesday Choir (1pm)

Mrs Soby

All clubs finish at 4.30pm unless otherwise stated.

Chickenpox

We have had one confirmed case of chickenpox in Reception class. For signs, symptoms and advice please check the NHS website www.nhs.uk

The website for **St Joseph's Catholic Church** can be found at http://st.josephs.org.uk or follow the link from our school website. Details about mass times, the weekly parish newsletter and parish groups can be found here.

Help us to learn, play and share together, so that the wonderful world you have made becomes more beautiful everyday.

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Amen

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St. Joseph's School is committed to safeguarding children.